



## INVITATION TO BID (ITB)

52,000 lb GVWR 4 X 6 Tandem Axle Road Tractor

<b>ITB Number:</b>	<b>10-0808</b>	<b>Contracting Officer:</b>	Roseann Johnson
<b>Bid Due Date:</b>	April 14, 2010	<b>Pre-Bid Conf. Date:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Bid Due Time:</b>	3:00 pm	<b>ITB Issue Date:</b>	March 17, 2010

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### SPECIFIC SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS ARE AS NOTED BELOW:

Proposal and/or Performance Bond:	Not applicable to this ITB
Certificate of Competency/License:	Not applicable to this ITB
Indemnification/Insurance:	See Section 1.8
Pre-Bid Conference/Walk-Thru:	Not applicable to this ITB

**At the date and time specified above, all bids that have been received in a timely manner will be opened, recorded, and accepted for consideration.** The names of the bidders submitting bids will be read aloud and recorded. The bids will be available for inspection during normal business hours in the Office of Procurement Services within ten (10) working days after the official bid due date. When counter-signed by an authorized County representative, this document and any specifically identified attachments may form the contract document binding the parties to all performance specified herein.

**Vendors shall complete and return the entirety of this ITB Document, and attach all other information requested in this ITB document (See Provision 1.13). Failure to sign the bid response, or to submit the bid response by the specified time and date, may be cause for rejection of the bid.**

### NO-RESPONSE REPLY

If any vendor does not want to respond to this solicitation at this time, or, would like to be removed from Lake County's Vendor List, please mark the appropriate space, complete name below and return this page only.

- ☐ Not interested at this time; keep our firm on Lake County's Vendors List for future solicitations for this product / service
- ☐ Please remove our firm from Lake County's Vendor's List for this product / service.

### VENDOR IDENTIFICATION

<b>Company Name:</b> _____	<b>Phone Number:</b> _____
<b>E-mail Address:</b> _____	<b>Contact Person:</b> _____

**Section 1.1: Purpose**

The purpose of this solicitation is to establish a contract for the purchase of one (1) 52,000 lb GVWR 4 X 6 Tandem Axle Road Tractor in conjunction with the County's needs.

**Section 1.2: Designated Procurement Representative**

Questions concerning any portion of this solicitation shall be directed in writing [fax and e-mail accepted] to the below named individual who shall be the official point of contact for this solicitation. Questions should be submitted no later than five (5) working days before the bid due date.

Roseann Johnson, CPPB, Senior Contracting Officer  
Lake County BCC  
Office of Procurement Services  
315 W. Main Street, Room 416  
PO BOX 7800  
Tavares, FL 32778-7800

Phone : 352.343.9839  
Fax : 352.343.9473  
E-mail: rjohnson@lakecountyfl.gov

No answers given in response to questions submitted shall be binding upon this solicitation unless released in writing as an addendum to the solicitation by the Lake County Office of Procurement Services.

**Section 1.3: Method of Award - To a Single Vendor (Single Item)**

Award of this contract will be made to the responsive and responsible vendor which submits the lowest price for the item listed in this solicitation.

**Section 1.4: Pre-Bid Conference / Site Visits**

Not applicable to this solicitation

**Section 1.5: Term of Contract - Upon Acceptance of Goods or Services**

The performance period under this contract shall commence upon the date of the purchase order or related Notice To Proceed and shall remain in effect until such time as the commodities, equipment and/or services acquired in conjunction with this solicitation and resulting contract have been delivered and/or completed, and accepted by the County's authorized representative, and will then remain in effect until completion of the expressed and/or implied warranty periods.

**Section 1.6: Option to Renew**

Not applicable to this solicitation

**Section 1.7: Method of Payment - Invoice for Single Delivery**

The vendor shall submit an invoice to the County user department(s) that requested the items through a purchase order. The date of the invoice shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days from the delivery of the goods or services. Under no circumstances shall the invoice be submitted to the County in advance of the delivery and acceptance of the items. In addition to the general invoice requirements stated below, the invoice shall reference, or include a copy of, the corresponding delivery ticket number or packing slip number that was signed by an authorized representative of the County user department at the time the items were delivered and accepted.

All invoices shall contain the contract and/or purchase order number, date and location of delivery or service, and confirmation of acceptance of the goods or services by the appropriate County representative. Failure to submit invoices in the prescribed manner will delay payment, and the vendor may be considered in default of contract and its contract may be terminated. Payments shall be tendered in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act, Part VII, Chapter 218, Florida Statutes.

**Section 1.8: Insurance**

Each vendor shall include in its solicitation response package proof of insurance capabilities, including but not limited to, the following requirements: [This does not mean that the vendor must have the coverage prior to submittal, but, that the coverage must be in effect prior to a purchase order or contract being executed by the County.]

An original certificate of insurance, indicating that the awarded vendor has coverage in accordance with the requirements of this section, shall be furnished by the vendor to the Contracting Officer within five (5) working days of such request and must be received and accepted by the County prior to contract execution and/or before any work begins.

The vendor shall provide and maintain at all times during the term of any contract, without cost or expense to the County, policies of insurance, with a company or companies authorized to do business in the State of Florida, and which are acceptable to the County, insuring the vendor against any and all claims, demands or causes of action whatsoever, for injuries received or damage to property relating to the performance of duties, services and/or obligations of the vendor under the terms and provisions of the contract. The vendor is responsible for timely provision of certificate(s) of insurance to the County at the certificate holder address evidencing conformance with the contract requirements at all times throughout the term of the contract.

Such policies of insurance, and confirming certificates of insurance, shall insure the vendor is in accordance with the following minimum limits:

General Liability insurance on forms no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Occurrence Form Commercial General Liability policy (CG 00 01) of the Insurance Services Office or equivalent without restrictive endorsements, with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Each Occurrence/General Aggregate

\$1,000,000/2,000,000

Products-Completed Operations	\$2,000,000
Personal & Adv. Injury	\$1,000,000
Fire Damage	\$50,000
Medical Expense	\$5,000
Contractual Liability	Included

Automobile liability insurance, including owned, non-owned, and hired autos with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Combined Single Limit	\$1,000,000
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Workers' compensation insurance based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts in accordance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes, and/or any other applicable law requiring workers' compensation (Federal, maritime, etc). If not required by law to maintain workers compensation insurance, the vendor must provide a notarized statement that if he or she is injured; he or she will not hold the County responsible for any payment or compensation.

Employers Liability insurance with the following minimum limits and coverage:

Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease-Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Disease-Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

Professional liability and/or specialty insurance (medical malpractice, engineers, architect, consultant, environmental, pollution, errors and omissions, etc.) insurance as applicable, with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 and annual aggregate of \$2,000,000.

The following additional coverage must be provided if a dollar value is inserted below:

Loss of Use at coverage value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Garage Keepers Liability at coverage value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lake County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, and the Board of County Commissioners, shall be named as additional insured as their interest may appear on all applicable liability insurance policies.

The certificate(s) of insurance shall provide for a minimum of sixty (60) days prior written notice to the County of any change, cancellation, or nonrenewal of the provided insurance. It is the vendor's specific responsibility to ensure that any such notice is provided within the stated timeframe to the certificate holder.

Certificate(s) of insurance shall identify the applicable solicitation (ITB/RFP/RFQ) number in the Description of Operations section of the Certificate.

Certificate holder shall be:

LAKE COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF  
FLORIDA, AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

P.O. BOX 7800  
TAVARES, FL 32778-7800

Certificates of insurance shall evidence a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County, that coverage shall be primary and noncontributory, and that each evidenced policy includes a Cross Liability or Severability of Interests provision, with no requirement of premium payment by the County.

The Vendor shall be responsible for subcontractors and their insurance. Subcontractors are to provide certificates of insurance to the prime vendor evidencing coverage and terms in accordance with the Vendor's requirements.

All self-insured retentions shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such self-insured retentions or the vendor or subcontractor shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.

The County shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money, which may represent a deductible or self-insured retention in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible or self-insured retention shall be the sole responsibility of the vendor and/or subcontractor providing such insurance.

Failure to obtain and maintain such insurance as set out above will be considered a breach of contract and may result in termination of the contract for default.

Neither approval by the County of any insurance supplied by the vendor or Subcontractor(s), nor a failure to disapprove that insurance, shall relieve the vendor or Subcontractor(s) of full responsibility for liability, damages, and accidents as set forth herein.

### **Section 1.9: Bonding Requirements**

Not applicable to this solicitation

### **Section 1.10: Delivery Shall be 180 Days After Date of Order**

The vendor shall make deliveries within 180 calendar days after the date of the order. All deliveries shall be made in accordance with good commercial practice and all required delivery timeframes shall be adhered to by the vendor(s), except in such cases where the delivery will be delayed due to acts of God, strikes, or other causes beyond the control of the vendor. In these cases, the vendor shall notify the County of the delays in advance of the original delivery date so that a revised delivery schedule can be appropriately considered by the County.

Should the vendor(s) to whom the contract(s) is awarded fail to deliver the required goods or services under a specific order in the number of days stated above, the County reserves the right to cancel the specific order under the contract on a default basis after any back order period that has been specified in this contract has lapsed. If the specific order is so terminated, it is hereby understood and agreed that the County has the authority to purchase the goods elsewhere and to

charge the incumbent vendor with any re-procurement costs. If the vendor fails to honor these re-procurement costs, the County may terminate the contract in its entirety for default.

Certain County employees may be authorized in writing to pick-up materials under this contract. Vendors shall require presentation of this written authorization. The vendor shall maintain a copy of the authorization. If the vendor is in doubt about any aspect of material pick-up, vendor shall contact the appropriate user department to confirm the authorization.

**Section 1.10.1: Shipping Terms, F.O.B. Destination**

All vendors shall quote prices based on F.O.B. Destination and shall hold title to the goods until such time as they are delivered to, and accepted by, an authorized County representative at Fleet Management Garage, 2300 Griffin Road, Leesburg, FL 34748.

**Section 1.10.2: Delivery Times Specified**

The vendor shall only be authorized to deliver items between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.

**Section 1.11: Acceptance of Goods or Services**

The product(s) delivered as a result of an award from this solicitation shall remain the property of the contractor, and services rendered under the contract will not be deemed complete, until a physical inspection and actual usage of the product(s) and/or service(s) is (are) accepted by the County and shall be in compliance with the terms herein, fully in accord with the specifications and of the highest quality.

Any goods and/or services purchased as a result of this solicitation and/or contract may be tested/inspected for compliance with specifications. In the event that any aspect of the goods or services provided is found to be defective or does not conform to the specifications, the County reserves the right to terminate the contract or initiate corrective action on the part of the vendor, to include return of any non-compliant goods to the vendor at the vendor's expense, requiring the vendor to either provide a direct replacement for the item, or a full credit for the returned item. The vendor shall not assess any additional charge(s) for any conforming action taken by the County under this clause. The County will not be responsible to pay for any product or service that does not conform to the contract specifications.

In addition, any defective product or service or any product or service not delivered or performed by the date specified in the purchase order or contract, may be procured by the County on the open market, and any increase in cost may be charged against the awarded contractor. Any cost incurred by the County in any re-procurement plus any increased product or service cost shall be withheld from any monies owed to the contractor by the County for any contract or financial obligation.

**Section 1.12: Warranty Requirements**

The vendor agrees that, unless expressly stated otherwise in the bid or proposal, the product and/or service furnished as a result of an award from this solicitation shall be covered by the

most favorable commercial warranty the vendor gives to any customer for comparable quantities of products and/or services and the rights and remedies provided herein are in addition to said warranty and do not limit any right afforded to the County by any other provision of this solicitation.

The vendor hereby acknowledges and agrees that all materials, except where recycled content is specifically requested, supplied by the vendor in conjunction with this solicitation and resultant contract shall be new, warranted for their merchantability, and fit for a particular purpose.

### **Section 1.13 Deliveries and Completion of Solicitation Response**

#### **Section 1.13.1: Delivery of Solicitation Response**

Unless a package is delivered by the vendor in person, all incoming mail from the U.S. Postal Service and any package delivered by a third party delivery organization (FedEx, UPS, DHL, private courier, etc.) will be opened for security and contamination inspection by the Lake County Clerk of the Circuit Court Mail Receiving Center in an off-site secure controlled facility prior to delivery to any Lake County Government facility, which includes the Lake County Office of Procurement Services.

To be considered for award, a bid or proposal must be received and accepted in the Procurement Services Office prior to the date and time established within the solicitation. Allow sufficient time for transportation and inspection.

Each package shall be clearly marked with the applicable solicitation number, title, and company name. Ensure that your bid or proposal is securely sealed in an opaque envelope/package to provide confidentiality of the bid or proposal prior to the due date stated in the solicitation.

If you plan on submitting your bid or proposal **IN PERSON**, please bring it to:

LAKE COUNTY PROCUREMENT SERVICES  
315 W. MAIN STREET  
4TH FLOOR, ROOM 416  
TAVARES, FLORIDA

If you submit your bid or proposal by the **UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE (USPS)**, please mail it to:

LAKE COUNTY PROCUREMENT SERVICES  
PO BOX 7800  
TAVARES, FL 32778-7800

If you submit your bid or proposal by a **THIRD PARTY CARRIER** such as FedEx, UPS, or a private courier, please send it to:

LAKE COUNTY PROCUREMENT SERVICES  
MAIL RECEIVING CENTER

416 W. MAIN STREET  
TAVARES, FL 32778

Facsimile (fax) or electronic submissions (e-mail) will not be accepted.

### **Section 1.13.2: Completion Requirements for Invitation to Bid**

Two (2) signed original bids and two (2) complete copies of the bid submitted by the vendor shall be sealed and delivered to the Office of Procurement Services no later than the official bid due date and time. Any bid received after this time will not be considered and will be returned unopened to the submitter. The County is not liable or responsible for any costs incurred by any Bidder in responding to this ITB including, without limitation, costs for product and/or service demonstrations if requested.

When you submit your bid, you are making a binding offer to the County and are agreeing to all of the terms and conditions in this Invitation to Bid. Use only the form(s) provided in this document. If you make any change to the content or format of any form, the County may disqualify your offer. All information shall be legible and either written in ink or typewritten. If you make a correction or change on any document, the person signing the bid proposal must initial the change. The bid shall be manually signed in **BLUE INK** by an official authorized to legally bind the Bidder to its provisions.

COMPLETION OF BID PACKAGE: The vendor shall complete all required entries in Section 4 of the bid form such as, but not limited to, pricing pages, signature, certifications, references, and acknowledgement of any solicitation addenda. The vendor shall submit the entire solicitation with all Section 4 entries completed in the number of copies specified to the address specified in this solicitation. The vendor shall also submit any supporting documents (to include proof of insurability and provision of bid bonds as required), samples, and/or descriptive literature required by any of the provisions in Section 2 of the solicitation in a separate sealed envelope / package marked "Literature for Bid (Number).\" Do not indicate bid prices on literature.

#### **Specific Completion Directions:**

- Pricing shall be completed as directed within Section 4.
- Initial and date in **BLUE INK** the appropriate space(s) for each addendum you received for this ITB.
- Insert any prompt payment discount that you will offer. Note payment is NET 30 DAYS otherwise.
- Complete all certifications included within Section 4 of the solicitation.
- Complete the reference information sheets (include at least three references) contained within the solicitation.
- Complete the vendor information, and sign the bid (IN BLUE INK) in the spaces provided in Section 4 of the solicitation.
- If insurance is required, submit either a certificate of insurance, or evidence of insurability, that is in compliance with the stated insurance requirements.



**Section 1.14: Repairs and Parts Manuals to be Provided**

The vendor shall supply the County with a minimum of two (2) comprehensive repair and parts manuals which identify the component parts, and which describe the appropriate process for repairing the equipment purchased by the County in conjunction with this solicitation. The manuals shall be supplied prior to, or upon, delivery of the equipment. Final payment shall be withheld until such time as these manuals are received by the County.

**Section 1.15: Service Facilities Shall be Available from Reliable Sources in Central Florida**

While this solicitation is for the acquisition of equipment, offers will only be accepted from vendors which can certify that service facilities will be available from reliable sources in Central Florida (defined as Lake, Osceola, Orange, Seminole, Volusia, Marion, Polk, and Sumter counties) for parts and repairs. As part of its initial offer, the vendor shall either certify through a written statement that the vendor has its own facility within the stated area for servicing the equipment, or certify through a written agreement with an alternate source, that this alternate source will be available for servicing the equipment that will be provided by the vendor. If this certification is not provided with the initial offer, the vendor may be given the opportunity to submit the certification to the County during the offer evaluation period should such action be considered to be in the best interest of the County.

The County reserves the right to perform an inspection of these service facilities during the offer evaluation period, and any time during the term of the contract, and to use this inspection as a means for determining the vendor to which award will be made under this solicitation. The acceptability of the size, location, level of security, and overall functionality of the service facility shall be determined by the County in consideration of the contract requirements. The County's best interests shall prevail in this regard, and the decision of the County shall be final.

**Section 1.16: Service to Equipment by Vendor is Required**

While this solicitation is for the acquisition of equipment, the County requires vendors to provide a fixed hourly labor rate and a cost plus mark-up charge for parts, materials and supplies that will be provided for a period of one year after installation and/or acceptance of the equipment. This offer shall be stated in the solicitation pricing form. If this service is not stated by the vendor in the initial offer, the vendor's overall offer will be rejected and determined to be ineligible for award. The County reserves the right to accept or reject the service offer expressed by the vendor. If the County accepts the service offer it shall be understood that the vendor agrees to enter into a contract for parts and repairs which are required in conjunction with this equipment acquisition. This contract shall be in effect for the life of the equipment and shall be renewable on an annual interval at the sole option of the County. The parts and labor prices offered by the vendor during the first year may be adjusted in subsequent years on an annual basis based on the changes as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (<http://www.bls.gov>), CPI and Wage and Benefits Calculators. If the County rejects the service offer, it shall be understood and agreed that the County can obtain these parts and repairs from another source of supply. Notwithstanding the above, the County reserves the right to consider the cost of labor and materials offered by the vendor during award evaluation.

**Section 1.17: Training Courses to be Provided**

The vendor shall provide an intensive training program to County employees regarding the use of the products or services supplied by the vendor in conjunction with this solicitation. The vendor shall bear all costs of registration fees and manuals and texts, or other instructional materials associated with the required training.

**Section 1.18: Operator/Training Manuals to be Provided**

The vendor shall supply the county with a minimum of two (2) comprehensive operator/training manuals which describe the appropriate use of the equipment purchased by the County in conjunction with this solicitation. The manuals shall be supplied prior to, or upon, delivery of the equipment. Final payment shall be withheld until such time as these manuals are received by the County.

**Section 1.19: Demonstration of Equipment May Be Required During Evaluation**

After receipt of offers by the County, the vendors may be required to demonstrate their specifically offered equipment to cognizant County personnel, at no separate cost. The purpose of this demonstration is to observe the equipment in an operational environment and to verify its capability, suitability, and adaptability in conjunction with the performance requirements stipulated in this solicitation. If a demonstration is required, the County will notify the vendor of such in writing and will specify the date, time and location of the demonstration. If the vendor fails to perform the demonstration on the specified date stipulated in the notice, the County may elect to reject that vendor's offer, or to re-schedule the demonstration, whichever action is determined to be in the best interests of the County. The County shall be the sole judge of the acceptability of the equipment in conformance with the specifications and its decision shall be final.

The equipment used for the demonstration shall be the same as the manufacturer's model identified in the vendor's offer. Accordingly, the equipment used in the demonstration shall create an express warranty that the actual equipment to be provided by the vendor during the contract period shall conform to the equipment used in the demonstration. The vendor shall be required to provide adequate restitution to the County, in the manner prescribed by the County, if this warranty is violated during the term of the contract.

**Section 1.20: "Equal" Product Can be Considered**

If a product or service requested by this ITB has been identified in the specifications by a brand name, and has not been notated as a "No Substitute" item, such identification is intended to be descriptive and not restrictive, and is to indicate the quality and characteristics of product or service that will be acceptable. Vendors offering an alternate product will be considered for award if such product is clearly identified in the bid or proposal and is determined by the County to fully meet the salient characteristic requirements listed in the specifications. An alternate product will not be considered for any item notated "No Substitute".

**Unless the vendor clearly indicates in its bid or proposal that it is proposing an alternate**

**product, the bid or proposal shall be considered as offering the same brand name referenced in the specifications.**

If the vendor proposes to furnish an alternate product or service, the brand name of the product or service to be furnished shall be clearly identified. The evaluation of the bid or proposal and the determination as to acceptability of the alternate product or service shall be the responsibility of the County and will be based upon information furnished by the vendor. The County will not be responsible for locating or securing any information which is not included in the bid or proposal. To ensure that sufficient information is available, the vendor shall furnish as part of the bid or proposal all descriptive material necessary for the County to determine whether the product offered meets the salient characteristics required by the specifications.

#### **Section 1.21: Compliance with Federal Standards**

All items to be purchased under this contract shall be in accordance with all governmental standards, to include, but not be limited to, those issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute of Occupational Safety Hazards (NIOSH), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

#### **Section 1.22: Omission from the Specifications**

The apparent silence of this specification and any addendum regarding any details, or the omission from the specification of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail, and that only materials and workmanship of first quality are to be used. All interpretations of this specification shall be made upon the basis of this agreement.

#### **Section 1.23: Prototype**

The County will not accept prototype equipment.

#### **Section 1.24: US Market**

The equipment shall be built for the U.S. market and sold or leased by a factory authorized dealer

#### **Section 1.25: Factory Scheduling Delays**

Factory scheduling delays shall be reported to the County within twenty-four (24) hours of notification to the contractor.

#### **Section 1.26: Exception to Specifications**

Bidders taking exception to any part or section of these specifications shall indicate such exception on your company letterhead and attach to the bid submittal.

**Section 1.27: OPTIONS**

Economic times are demanding that Lake County consider any options which may be available when equipment purchases are needed to maintain County operations.

1. Utilization of used equipment that is compliant with specifications and when are economically or functionally appropriate
2. Leasing equipment to enable alternate use of capital funding
3. Other options available from bidders

If your firm could offer one of these options, please attach the option to the Pricing Section (Section 4) for County review.

**Section 1.28: LEASING TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The County, **when leasing**, will not take title to any unit. The title shall remain in the owner's name.

**Equity**

**(Leasing only)** Lake County is not soliciting any equity or ownership in this unit. The County will not accept any U.C.C. (Uniform Commercial Code) filings. The County will not provide an IRS (Internal Revenue Service) Form 8038 / 8038G. The contractor may however propose or the County may request a purchase price at fair market value for any unit being leased at any time during the lease period.

**Return of Unit**

The unit will be returned to contractor, in the condition in which they were operated, promptly at the end of the lease period with normal service wear and tear assumed. Contractor will assume also that cosmetic damage is normal wear and tear. Unit (s) may include damage repair. Hours will be guaranteed not to exceed an average of 1250 hours annually.

The contractor shall be solely responsible for any costs related to inspection of the unit at the end of the lease term. The contractor may schedule an end of lease inspection with the Fleet Director within thirty (30) days of the end of the lease period.

The contractor shall be solely responsible for all costs related to the pickup, loading and transporting the unit to and from the County's designated site(s).

**Taxes**

All fees, assessments and taxes which may now or hereafter become due or are imposed upon the ownership of the unit are the sole responsibility of the Lessor.

**Right to Inspect**

Lessor may during reasonable business hours inspect the **leased unit** to confirm compliance with the terms of the Lease. Since the equipment may be used at locations throughout the County or at controlled access sites, the Lessor shall make an appointment at least two (2) business days prior to the inspection.

**No Indemnification:**

The Lake County Board of County Commission is a political subdivision of the State of Florida therefore cannot indemnify the contractor or Lessor.

**Additional Equipment**

The County may require the contractor to add additional equipment to the unit(s) to comply with applicable safety laws and procedures at no additional cost to the County. The County may also add additional equipment to enhance the effectiveness of the unit at the County's expense. Such enhancements may be removed from the unit at the end of the lease period at the County's expense, provided that such removal does not significantly alter the unit or diminish its value.

**Lease Agreement**

The County's standard **lease** agreement (Attachment 2) is attached for your review. The County does not anticipate making any major changes to this agreement. Any proposed revisions should be submitted with the proposal. The awarded contractor will have a contract designed for this equipment lease and the contractor will execute that contract with the County.

Note: The County may consider other agreements other than its own; submit copies with your proposal for the County's legal review.

Note: End of lease date to be five years.

**Purchase Option at end of Lease Period**

The County may elect to purchase the equipment at the end of the lease at a fair market value if it is in the best interest of the County. The County will negotiate the purchase price and payment terms at that time.

**Maintenance Agreement**

**(Purchase option only)** A maintenance agreement shall be available to the County after the expiration of the equipment lease period. Proposers shall submit a copy of the proposed maintenance agreement with this proposal request.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Description: The following specification covers the requirements for one (1) 52,000 lb 4 X 6 Tandem Axle Road Tractor. The bid unit shall be equal to Specification # 58 available through the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract. Acceptable chassis are limited to **Freightliner M2 – 106/112** or **International Work Star**.

**Complies with Requirements****1.0 General (Weight, Dimensions, Capacities)**

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|------|--|-----------------------|
| 1.1  | Chassis Make                               | Make _____            |
| 1.2  | Chassis Model                              | Model _____           |
| 1.3  | Conventional Cab / Set Back Axle (List CA) | CA Length _____       |
| 1.4  | 52,000 lb GVW (List Wheel Base)            | Y ____ N ____ WB ____ |
| 1.5  | Single Front Axle 12,000 lb                | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.6  | Tapered Leaf Front Suspension              | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.7  | Tandem Rear Axle 40,000 lb                 | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.8  | Airliner Extra HD Rear Suspension          | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.9  | Paint: Overall White                       | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.10 | Radio, Heat, and A/C                       | Y ____ N ____         |
| 1.11 | Drivers Air Ride Suspension Seat           | Y ____ N ____         |

**2.0 Engine – Powertrain**

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|-----|--|----------------------------------|
| 2.1 | Engine Make                                    | Make _____                       |
| 2.2 | Engine Model                                   | Model _____                      |
| 2.3 | Diesel Engine 2010 EPA/CARB Compliant          | Y ____ N ____                    |
| 2.4 | Horsepower (gross): Minimum 350 HP @ 1,800 RPM | Y ____ N ____ HP ____ @ ____ RPM |
| 2.5 | Torque Minimum 1,350 lb/ft                     | Y ____ N ____ Torque ____        |
| 2.6 | Eaton Fuller Manual Transmission 10 speeds     | Y ____ N ____ Speeds ____        |
| 2.7 | Fuel Capacity: 70 gallon minimum               | Y ____ N ____ Capacity ____      |

**3.0 Chassis Accessories**

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|-----|---|---------------|
| 3.1 | JOIST JSK37 Series Stationary 5 <sup>th</sup> Wheel | Y ____ N ____ |
| 3.2 | Back Up Alarm                                       | Y ____ N ____ |
| 3.3 | Mud Flaps   | Y ____ N ____ |
| 3.4 | One 5 lb Fire Extinguisher                          | Y ____ N ____ |
| 3.5 | Triangular Reflector Kit in Cab                     | Y ____ N ____ |
| 3.6 | Bumper Clearance Rods                               | Y ____ N ____ |

**4.0 Electrical Accessories**

- |     |                                  |               |
|-----|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 4.1 | Standard Strobe Light with Guard | Y ____ N ____ |
| 4.2 | Dual Tone Back Up Alarm          | Y ____ N ____ |
| 4.3 | Six (6) – Way Trailer Receptacle | Y ____ N ____ |

**5.0 Manuals, Warranty, and Delivery Time**

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|-----|--|--------|--------|
| 5.1 | Maximum Days to Delivery – 180 days                      | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.2 | Delivery of Completed Unit – FOB-Fleet Mgmt Garage       | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.3 | U.S. FMVSS Certification                                 | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.4 | Provide Complete Literature and Specifications           | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.5 | Provide two (2) complete sets of Parts & Service Manuals | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.6 | Provide two (2) complete Operator's Manuals              | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.7 | Provide two (2) complete sets of Keys                    | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.8 | State Terms and Conditions of Warranty on Page 19        | Y ____ | N ____ |
| 5.9 | State Period of Warranty on Page 19                      | Y ____ | N ____ |

**3.1 DEFINITIONS**

**Addenda:** A written change to a solicitation.

**Bid:** Shall refer to any offer(s) submitted in response to this Invitation to Bid.

**Bidder:** Shall refer to anyone submitting a bid in response to an Invitation to Bid.

**Contract:** The agreement to perform the services set forth in this solicitation. The contract will be comprised of the solicitation document signed by both parties with any addenda and other attachments specifically incorporated.

**Contractor:** The vendor to which award has been made.

**County:** Shall refer to Lake County, Florida.

**Invitation to Bid (ITB):** Shall mean this solicitation document, including any and all addenda. An ITB contains well-defined terms, conditions, and specifications, and is awarded to the lowest priced responsive and responsible bidder.

**Modification:** A written change to a contract.

**Responsible:** Refers to a bidder that has the capacity and capability to perform the work required under an Invitation to Bid, and is otherwise eligible for award.

**Responsive:** Refers to a bidder that has taken no exception or deviation from the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in an Invitation to Bid.

**Solicitation:** The written document requesting either bids or proposals from the marketplace.

**Vendor:** A general reference to any entity responding to this solicitation or performing under any resulting contract.

The County has established for purposes of this Invitation to Bid (ITB) that the words “shall”, “must”, or “will” are equivalent in this ITB and indicate a mandatory requirement or condition, the material deviation from which shall not be waived by the County. A deviation is material if, in the County’s sole discretion, the deficient response is not in substantial accord with this ITB’s mandatory requirements. The words “should” or “may” are equivalent in this ITB and indicate very desirable conditions or requirements, but are permissive in nature.

**3.2 INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS****A. Bidder Qualification**

It is the policy of the County to encourage full and open competition among all available qualified vendors. All vendors regularly engaged in the type of work specified in the solicitation are encouraged to submit bids. Vendors may enroll with the County to be included on a mailing list for selected categories of goods and services. To be recommended for award the County requires that vendors provide evidence of compliance with the requirements below upon request:

1. Disclosure of Employment
2. Disclosure of Ownership
3. Drug-Free Workplace
4. W-9 and 8109 Forms – The vendor must furnish these forms upon request as required by the Internal Revenue Service.
5. Social Security Number – The vendor must provide a copy of the primary owner’s social security card if the social security number is being used in lieu of the Federal Identification Number (F.E.I.N.).
6. Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.)
7. Conflict of Interest
8. Debarment Disclosure Affidavit
9. Nondiscrimination
10. Family Leave
11. Antitrust Laws – By acceptance of any contract, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable antitrust laws.

**B. Public Entity Crimes**

Pursuant to Section 287.133(2)(a) of the Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may

not be awarded or perform as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

**C. Request for Additional Information**

Any communication or inquiries, except for clarification of process or procedure already contained in the solicitation, are to be made in writing to the attention of the procurement representative identified in the solicitation no later than five (5) working days prior to the bid due date. Such inquiries shall contain the requester’s name, address, and telephone number. If transmitted by facsimile, the request should also include a cover sheet with the bidder’s facsimile number.

The Office of Procurement Services may issue an addendum in response to any inquiry received, prior to bid opening, which changes, adds to, or clarifies the terms, provisions, or requirements of the solicitation. The bidder should not rely on any representation, statement or explanation whether written or verbal, other than those made in this solicitation document or in any addenda issued. Where there appears to be a conflict between this solicitation and any addenda, the last addendum issued shall prevail. It is the bidder’s responsibility to ensure receipt of all addenda and any accompanying documentation. The bidder is required to submit with its bid a signed “Acknowledgment of Addenda” form when any addenda have been issued. Failure to acknowledge each addendum may prevent the bid from being considered for award.

**D. Contents of Solicitation and Bidders’ Responsibilities**

It is the responsibility of the bidder to become thoroughly familiar with the requirements, terms, and conditions of this solicitation. Pleas of ignorance of these matters by the bidder will not be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the County or the amount to be paid to the vendor.

**E. Restricted Discussions**

From the date of issuance of this solicitation until final County action, vendors should not discuss the solicitation or any part thereof with any employee, agent, or any other representative of the County except as expressly authorized by the designated procurement representative. The only communications that shall be considered pertinent to this solicitation are appropriately signed written documents from the vendor to the designated procurement representative and any relevant written document promulgated by the designated procurement representative.

**F. Change or Withdrawal of Bids**

**Changes to Bid** - Prior to bid opening, a bidder may change its bid by submitting a new bid as specified in the solicitation with a letter on the firm’s letterhead, signed by an authorized agent stating that the new submittal replaces the original submittal. The new submittal shall contain the letter and all information as required for submitting the original bid. No changes to a bid will be accepted after the bid due date.

**Withdrawal of Bid** - A bid may be withdrawn, either physically or by written notice, at any time prior to the bid due date. If withdrawn by written notice, that notice must be addressed to, and received by, the designated procurement representative prior to the bid due date and time. A bid may also be withdrawn after expiration of the specified bid acceptance period, and prior to award, by submitting a letter to the designated procurement representative. The withdrawal letter must be on company letterhead and signed by an authorized agent of the bidder.

**G. Conflicts within the Solicitation**

Where there appears to be a conflict between the General Terms and Conditions, Special Conditions, the Technical Specifications, the Pricing Section, or any addendum issued, the order of precedence shall be: the last addendum issued, the Bid Price Section, the Technical Specifications, the Special Conditions, and then the General Terms and Conditions. It is incumbent upon the vendor to identify such conflicts to the designated procurement representative prior to the bid or proposal response date.

**H. Prompt Payment Terms**



It is the policy of the County that payment for all purchases by County agencies shall be made in a timely manner and that interest payments will be made on late payments in accordance with Part VII, Chapter 218, Florida Statutes, known as the Florida Prompt Payment Act. The bidder may offer cash discounts for prompt payments; however, such discounts will not be considered in determining the lowest price during bid evaluation. Bidders are requested to provide prompt payment terms in the space provided on the signature page of the solicitation.

### 3.3 PREPARATION OF BIDS

- A. The Bid Pricing Section of this solicitation defines the goods or services to be purchased, and must be completed and submitted with the bid. Use of any other form or alteration of the form may result in the rejection of the bid.
- B. The bid submitted must be legible, and completed using typewriter, computer or ink. Any entry change must be crossed out and initialed in ink. Failure to comply with these requirements may cause the bid to be rejected.
- C. An authorized agent of the bidder's firm must sign the bid. **FAILURE TO SIGN THE BID MAY RENDER THE BID NON-RESPONSIVE.**
- D. The bidder may be considered non-responsive if bids are conditioned to modifications, changes, or revisions to the terms and conditions of this solicitation.
- E. The bidder may submit alternate bid(s) for the same solicitation provided that such offer is allowable under the terms and conditions. The alternate bid must meet or exceed the minimum requirements and be submitted as a separate bid marked "Alternate Bid".
- F. When there is a discrepancy between the unit prices and any extended prices, the unit prices will prevail.
- G. Any bid received after the stipulated bid due date and time through no fault of the County will be considered late, and except under the most exceptional circumstances, not be considered for award.

### 3.4 CANCELLATION OF SOLICITATION

The County reserves the right to cancel, in whole or in part, any Invitation to Bid when it is in the best interest of the County.

### 3.5 AWARD

- A. Award may be made to the lowest priced responsive and responsible bidder. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive non-material irregularities or technicalities and to re-advertise for all or any part of this solicitation as deemed in its best interest. The County shall be the sole judge of its best interest.
- B. When there are multiple line items in a solicitation, the County reserves the right to award on an individual item basis, any combination of items, total low bid or in whichever manner deemed in the best interest of the County. This provision specifically supersedes any method of award criteria stated in the solicitation when such action is clearly necessary to protect the best interests of the County.
- C. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids if it is determined that prices are excessive or determined to be unreasonable, or it is otherwise determined to be in the County's best interest to do so.
- D. The County reserves the right to negotiate prices with the low bidder, provided that the scope of work is not amended.
- E. Award of this solicitation will only be made to firms that satisfy all necessary legal requirements to do business with the County. The County may conduct a pre-award inspection of the bidder's site or hold a pre-award qualification hearing to determine the responsibility and capacity of the bidder to perform the requirements of this solicitation. Award of the contract resulting from this solicitation may be predicated on compliance with and submittal of all required documents as stipulated in the solicitation.
- F. The bidder's performance as a prime contractor or

subcontractor on previous County contracts shall be taken into account in evaluating the responsibility of a bidder that submitted a bid under this solicitation.

- G. The Director of Procurement Services will decide all tie bids with initial preference being given to the entity employing the most personnel residing within the County.

### 3.6 CONTRACT EXTENSION

The County has the unilateral option to extend a contract for up to ninety (90) calendar days beyond the current contract period. In such event, the County will notify the vendor(s) in writing of such extensions. The contract may be extended beyond the initial ninety (90) day extension upon mutual agreement between the County and the vendor(s). Exercise of the above options requires the prior approval of the Director of Procurement Services.

### 3.7 WARRANTY

All warranties express and implied, shall be made available to the County for goods and services covered by this solicitation. All goods furnished shall be fully guaranteed by the vendor against factory defects and workmanship. At no expense to the County, the vendor shall correct any and all apparent and latent defects that may occur within the manufacturer's standard warranty period. The special conditions of the solicitation may supersede the manufacturer's standard warranty.

### 3.8 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

Estimated quantities or dollars are for bidder's guidance only. No guarantee is expressed or implied as to quantities or dollar value that will be used during the contract period. The County is not obligated to place any order for a given amount subsequent to the award of this solicitation. The County may use any stated estimated quantities in the award evaluation process. Estimated quantities do not contemplate or include possible additional quantities that may be ordered by other government, quasi-governmental or non-profit entities utilizing this contract. In no event shall the County be liable for payments in excess of the amount due for quantities of goods or services actually ordered.

### 3.9 NON-EXCLUSIVITY

It is the intent of the County to enter into an agreement that will satisfy its needs as described within this solicitation. However, the County reserves the right as deemed in its best interest to perform, or cause to be performed, the work and services, or any portion thereof, herein described in any manner it sees fit. In no case will the County be liable for billings in excess of the quantity of goods or services actually provided under this contract.

### 3.10 CONTINUATION OF WORK

Any work that commences prior to and will extend beyond the expiration date of the current contract period shall, unless terminated by mutual written agreement between the County and the vendor, continue until completion without change to the then current prices, terms and conditions.

### 3.11 PROTEST OF AWARD

A vendor wishing to protest any award decision resulting from this solicitation shall do so as set forth in the County's Purchasing Procedure Manual. It is incumbent upon the vendor to be aware of the posting of any associated award recommendation. Any protest received after the actual contract award date may be rejected.

### 3.12 RULES, REGULATIONS AND LICENSES

The vendor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations applicable to provision of the goods and/or services specified in this solicitation.

### 3.13 SUBCONTRACTING

Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, the vendor shall not subcontract any portion of the work without the prior written consent of the County. The ability to subcontract may be further

limited by the Special Conditions. Subcontracting without the prior consent of the County may result in termination of the contract for default.

### 3.14 ASSIGNMENT

The vendor shall not assign or transfer any contract resulting from this solicitation, including any rights, title or interest therein, or its power to execute such contract to any person, company or corporation without the prior written consent of the County.

### 3.15 DELIVERY

Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, prices quoted shall be F.O.B. Destination. Freight shall be included in the bid price.

### 3.16 RESPONSIBILITIES AS EMPLOYER

The employee(s) of the vendor shall be considered to be at all times its employee(s), and not an employee(s) or agent(s) of the County or any of its departments. The contractor shall provide employee(s) capable of performing the work as required. The County may require the contractor to remove any employee it deems unacceptable. All employees of the contractor may be required to wear appropriate identification.

### 3.17 INDEMNIFICATION

The vendor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of the agreement by the vendor or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals or subcontractors. The vendor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may be incurred thereon. The vendor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the vendor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

### 3.18 COLLUSION

Where two (2) or more related parties, as defined herein, each submit a bid for the same contract, such bids shall be presumed to be collusive. The foregoing presumption may be rebutted by the presentation of evidence as to the extent of ownership, control and management of such related parties in preparation and submittal of such bids. Related parties shall mean bidder or the principals thereof which have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another bidder for the same contract or in which a parent company or the principals thereof of one bidder have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another bidder for the same contract. Furthermore, any prior understanding, agreement, or connection between two (2) or more corporations, firms, or persons submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, services, or equipment shall also be presumed to be collusive. Bids found to be collusive shall be rejected. Bidders which have been found to have engaged in collusion may be considered non-responsible, and may be suspended or debarred, and any contract resulting from collusive bidding may be terminated for default.

### 3.19 MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

Any contract resulting from this solicitation may be modified by mutual consent of duly authorized parties, in writing through the issuance of a modification to the contract and/or purchase order as appropriate. This presumes the modification itself is in compliance with all applicable County procedures.

### 3.20 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to terminate this contract upon thirty (30) days written notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the vendor shall not incur any additional costs under this contract. The County shall be liable only for reasonable costs incurred by the vendor prior to notice of termination. The County shall be the sole judge of "reasonable costs."

### 3.21 TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDING IN SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS

When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal year, the contract shall be cancelled and the vendor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred amortized in the price of the supplies or services/tasks delivered under the contract.

### 3.22 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

The County reserves the right to terminate this contract, in part or in whole, or place the vendor on probation in the event the vendor fails to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions stated herein. The County further reserves the right to suspend or debar the vendor in accordance with the appropriate County ordinances, resolutions and/or administrative orders. The vendor will be notified by letter of the County's intent to terminate. In the event of termination for default, the County may procure the required goods and/or services from any source and use any method deemed in its best interest. All re-procurement cost shall be borne by the vendor.

### 3.23 FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION

Any individual, corporation or other entity that attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement, may be debarred for up to five (5) years. The County as a further sanction may terminate or cancel any other contracts with such individual, corporation or entity with such vendor held responsible for all direct or indirect costs associated with termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

### 3.24 ACCESS TO RECORDS

The County reserves the right to require the vendor to submit to an audit by any auditor of the County's choosing. The Contractor shall provide access to all of its records, which relate directly or indirectly to this Agreement at its place of business during regular business hours. The vendor shall retain all records pertaining to this Agreement and upon request make them available to the County for three (3) years following expiration of the Agreement. The vendor agrees to provide such assistance as may be necessary to facilitate the review or audit by the County to ensure compliance with applicable accounting and financial standards.

### 3.25 PROPRIETARY/CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Bidders are hereby notified that all information submitted as part of, or in support of bid submittals will be available for public inspection after opening of bids in compliance with Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes (the "Public Record Act."). The bidder should not submit any information in response to this solicitation which the bidder considers proprietary or confidential. The submission of any information to the County in connection with this solicitation shall be deemed conclusively to be a waiver of any protection from release of the submitted information unless such information is exempt or confidential under the Public Records Act.

### 3.26 CONTRACTING WITH COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Any County employee or member of his or her immediate family seeking to contract with the County shall seek a conflict of interest opinion from the procurement representative designated herein prior to submittal of a response or application of any type to contract with the County. The affected employee shall disclose the employee's assigned function within the County and interest or the

interest of his or her immediate family in the proposed contract and the nature of the intended contract.

### 3.27 INCURRED EXPENSES

This ITB does not commit the County to make an award nor shall the County be responsible for any cost or expense which may be incurred by any bidder in preparing and submitting a bid, or any cost or expense incurred by any bidder prior to the execution of a purchase order or contract agreement. By submitting a bid, the bidder also agrees that the County bears no responsibility for any costs of the bidder associated with any administrative or judicial proceedings resulting from this solicitation process.

### 3.28 COUNTY IS TAX-EXEMPT

The County is generally exempt from Federal Excise Taxes and all State of Florida sales and use taxes. Do not include any tax on any item or service. The County will sign an exemption certificate if submitted by the contractor. Contractors doing business with the County are not exempt from paying sales tax to their suppliers for materials to fulfill contractual obligations with the County, nor shall any contractor be authorized to use any of the County's Tax Exemptions in securing such materials.

### 3.29 GOVERNING LAWS

The interpretation, effect, and validity of any contract(s) resulting from this ITB shall be governed by the laws and regulations of the State of Florida, and Lake County, Florida. Venue of any court action shall be in Lake County, Florida. In the event that a suit is brought for the enforcement of any term of the contract, or any right arising there from, the parties expressly waive their respective rights to have such action tried by jury trial and hereby consent to the use of non-jury trial for the adjudication of such suit.

### 3.30 STATE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Any corporation submitting a bid in response to this ITB shall either be registered or have applied for registration with the Florida Department of State in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 607, Florida Statutes. A copy of the registration/ application may be required prior to award of a contract. Any partnership submitting a bid in response to this ITB shall have complied with the applicable provisions of Chapter 620, Florida Statutes. For additional information on these requirements, please contact the Florida Secretary of State's Office, Division of Corporations, 800.755.5111 (<http://www.dos.state.fl.us>).

### 3.31 PRIME CONTRACTOR

The vendor awarded the contract shall act as the prime contractor for all required items and services and shall assume full responsibility for the procurement and maintenance of such items or services. The vendor shall be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all stipulations, including payment of all charges and meeting all requirements of this ITB. All subcontractors will be subject to advance review by the County in regards to competency and security concerns. After the award of the contract no change in subcontractors will be made without the consent of the County. The vendor shall be responsible for all insurance, permits, licenses, and related matters for any and all subcontractors. Even if the subcontractor is self-insured, the County may require the contractor to provide any insurance certificates required by the work to be performed.

### 3.32 FORCE MAJEURE

The parties will exercise every reasonable effort to meet their respective obligations hereunder, but shall not be liable for delays resulting from force majeure or other causes beyond their reasonable control, including, but not limited to, compliance with any Government law or regulation, acts of nature, acts or omissions of the other party, Government acts or omissions, fires, strikes, national disasters, wars, riots, transportation problems and/or any other cause whatsoever beyond the reasonable control

of the parties. Any such cause will extend the performance of the delayed obligation to the extent of the delay so incurred.

### 3.33 OTHER AGENCIES

With the consent of the vendor, other agencies may make purchases in accordance with the contract. Such purchases shall be governed by the same terms and conditions as stated herein with the exception of the change in agency name.

### 3.34 NO CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

No claim for damages or any claim other than for an extension of time shall be made or asserted against the County because of any delays. No interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension, or delay in the commencement or progress of the Work shall relieve the vendor of duty to perform, or give rise to any right to damages or additional compensation from the County. The vendor's sole remedy shall be the right to seek an extension to the contract time. However, this provision shall not preclude recovery of damages by the vendor for hindrances or delays due solely to fraud, bad faith, or active interference on the part of the County.

### 3.35 TRUTH IN NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

For all lump-sum or cost-plus fixed fee agreements exceeding \$150,000, the firm awarded the agreement must execute a truth in negotiation certificate stating that the wage rates and other factual unit costs are accurate, complete and current, at the time of contracting. Any agreement requiring this certificate shall contain a provision that the original agreement price and any additions shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the owner determines the agreement price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such agreement adjustments shall be made within one (1) year following the end of the contract. Execution of this Agreement constitutes execution of the Truth in Negotiation Certificate.

### 3.36 GRANT FUNDING

In the event any part of the contract is to be funded by federal, state, or other local agency monies, the vendor hereby agrees to comply with all requirements of the funding entity applicable to the use of the monies, including full application of requirements involving the use of minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. Vendors are advised that payments under the contract may be withheld pending completion and submission of all required forms and documents required of the vendor pursuant to the grant funding requirements. A copy of the requirements shall be supplied to the vendor by the County upon request.

**ITB TITLE: 52,000 lb 4 X 6 Tandem Axle Road Tractor****NOTES:**

- Lake County is exempt from all taxes (Federal, State, and Local). Pricing should be less all taxes. A Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished upon request.
- The vendor shall not alter or amend any of the information (including, but not limited to stated units of measure, item description, or quantity) stated in the Pricing Section. If any quantities are stated in the pricing section as being “estimated” quantities, vendors are advised to review the “Estimated Quantities” clause contained in Section 3 of this solicitation.
- Each price offered in your bid shall be a firm-fixed price, exclusive of any tax. Any bid containing a modifying or “escalator” clause not specifically allowed for under the solicitation will not be considered.
- All pricing shall be FOB Destination unless otherwise specified in this solicitation document.
- All pricing submitted shall remain valid for a 90 day period. By signing and submitting a response to this solicitation, the vendor has specifically agreed to this condition.
- **Vendors are advised to visit our website at <http://www.lakecountyfl.gov> and register as a potential vendor. Vendors that have registered on-line receive an e-mail notice when the County issues a solicitation matching the commodity codes selected by a vendor during the registration process.**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA****INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete Part I or Part II, whichever applies

<b>Part I:</b>
The bidder must list below the dates of issue for each addendum received in connection with this ITB:  Addendum #1, Dated: _____ Addendum #2, Dated: _____ Addendum #3, Dated: _____ Addendum #4, Dated: _____
<b>Part II:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> No Addendum was received in connection with this ITB.

## PRICING SECTION

Item Number	Item Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	<p>52,000 lb 4 X 6 Tandem Axle Road Tractor per the preceding specifications and terms and conditions</p> <p>Chassis Make:_____</p> <p>Chassis Model:_____</p> <p>Engine Make:_____</p> <p>Engine Model:_____</p> <p>Warranty Period:_____</p> <p>(Include with bid submittal terms and conditions of warranty)</p> <p>Parts/Service Facility Location are available at: (Include telephone number, email address, fax number)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Parts (Mark up Costs)_____ %</p> <p>Hourly Labor Rate_____</p> <p>Days to deliver after receipt of order: (not to exceed 180 calendar days)</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>Option 1:</b></p> <p>Is there a <b>Used</b> piece of equipment per the preceding specification available? Yes_____ No_____</p> <p>If yes, please attach pricing, specifications, warranty information (if available), pictures, location of equipment for inspection, and contact information.</p>	Each	1	\$_____	\$_____

	<p><b>Option 2:</b></p> <p>Are leasing options available for the aforementioned equipment?</p> <p>Yes_____ No_____</p> <p>If yes, please attach any leasing/pricing options available.</p> <p><b>Option 3:</b></p> <p>Other-attach</p>				
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**By Signing this Bid the Bidder Attests and Certifies that:**

- It satisfies all legal requirements (as an entity) to do business with the County.
- The undersigned vendor acknowledges that award of a contract may be contingent upon a determination by the County that the vendor has the capacity and capability to successfully perform the contract.
- The bidder hereby certifies that it understands all requirements of this solicitation, and that the undersigned individual is duly authorized to execute this bid document and any contract(s) and/or other transactions required by award of this solicitation.

**Certification Regarding Acceptance of County Electronic Payable Process**

Vendor will accept payment using the County's VISA- based electronic payment system: ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Purchasing Agreements with Other Government Agencies**

This section is optional and will not affect contract award. If Lake County awarded you the proposed contract, would you sell under the same terms and conditions, for the same price, to other governmental agencies in the State of Florida? Each governmental agency desiring to accept to utilize this contract shall be responsible for its own purchases and shall be liable only for materials or services ordered and received by it. ☐ Yes ☐ No (Check one)

**Certification Regarding Felony Conviction**

Has any officer, director, or executive of the bidding entity been convicted of a felony during the past ten (10) years? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Check one)

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure Certification**

Except as listed below, no employee, officer, or agent of the firm has any conflicts of interest, real or apparent, due to ownership, other clients, contracts, or interests associated with this project; and, this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a proposal for the same services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.

**DUNS Number** (Insert if this action involves a federal funded project): \_\_\_\_\_

**General Vendor Information and Proposal Signature:**

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 FEIN No. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Prompt Payment Terms: \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_ days, net \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Award of Contract by the County: (Official Use Only)**

By signature below, the County confirms award to the above-identified vendor under the above identified solicitation. A separate purchase order will be generated by the County to support the contract.

**Vendor awarded as:**

- ☐ Sole vendor ☐ Pre-qualified pool vendor based on price  
☐ Pre-qualified pool vendor (spot bid) ☐ Primary vendor for items: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Secondary vendor for items: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Other status: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of authorized County official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Order Number assigned to this contract for billing purposes: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE ATTACHED**

**Attachment 1: Work References**

**Attachment 2: Sample Lease Agreement**



**WORK REFERENCES**

Agency	
Address	
City,State,ZIP	
Contact Person	
Telephone	
Date(s) of Service	
Type of Service	
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**SAMPLE ONLY**

**OPERATING LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
AND [contractor name]  
FOR [type of equipment]**

**RFP #10-xxxx**

**THIS OPERATING LEASE** Agreement is made by and between Lake County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter the “County”, and [contractor name], a [list state] corporation, its successors and assigns, hereafter “Lessor” .

**WHEREAS**, the County has publicly issued a Request for Proposal, RFP #10-xxxx, in accordance with the Lake County Purchasing Policies and Procedures for firms qualified to provide [quantity] [type of equipment] for the Lake County Public Works Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lessor desires to provide such equipment subject to the terms of this Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION** of the mutual terms, understandings, conditions, premises, covenants and payment hereinafter set forth, and intending to be legally bound, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

2. **Lease Term.** The Lease term for each unit identified in the Equipment Schedule attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit A**, shall commence on its “Delivery Date”, which is the date the County takes possession of the unit(s), and shall continue for a period of [list term], unless otherwise terminated. All parties agree that title to the units shall at all times remain with the Lessor.

3. **Payments.** During the lease term, the County shall make all lease payments on a timely basis, including lease payments that are required to be made in the renewal term, if any. The payment schedule is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit B**. The County shall not be entitled to cancel or terminate this Lease except as expressly provided herein. Any lease payment received from the County shall be applied to this Lease. All lease payments shall be paid monthly, in arrears. Lessor shall submit invoices on the first of each month for the previous month and will be paid within thirty (30) days of receipt of the invoice. If the County fails to make lease payments within ten (10) days of the payment due date, the County shall pay Lessor a late charge in an amount permitted by applicable law.

**4. Option to Renew; Option to Purchase.** The initial Lease Term may be renewed for successive one (1) year periods at the same pricing, terms and conditions contained herein, upon sixty (60) days written notice to the Lessor prior to the expiration of the then current lease term. If the County is not in default under this Lease, the County may purchase any particular item of equipment on the lease termination date, or any renewal thereof, at the fair market value of the equipment. Fair market value shall be determined by reference to recent sales of used equipment of similar type and condition and/or by reference to the Green Guide Construction Equipment, published by PriMedia Books, current as of the time the County exercises the purchase option. If the parties cannot agree on the fair market value based upon sales of similar equipment or by use of the Green Guide Construction Equipment, the parties agree to have the Equipment valued by an independent appraisal company, mutually agreed upon, specializing in this type of equipment, and to equally divide the cost of such appraisal. To exercise the purchase option the County must notify the Lessor sixty (60) days prior to the end of the initial Lease Term, or applicable renewal term.

**5. Assignment.** No assignment of this Lease, nor assignment of any right or obligation hereunder may be made by the County or by the Lessor without the prior written consent of the other. In the event that the Lessor assigns this Lease, the assignee shall agree in writing to assume all obligations contained within this Lease, including all maintenance responsibilities described herein. Failure of assignee to assume all responsibilities hereunder shall void the assignment. Lessor shall remain liable for its performance under this Lease regardless of any assignment. The County shall have the right to review the assignment and shall be provided a copy of any associated documents perfecting the assignment.

**6. Service and Use of Equipment.** Lessor shall provide, at no cost to the County, operator training to County sufficient to ensure efficient operation of the Equipment and shall provide at least two (2) copies of service, parts and operator's manual to County. County shall only be responsible for daily fueling, checking of fluid levels and adding fluid if necessary, greasing of fittings if required, reporting to the Lessor any maintenance required, fire damage and repair, all repair costs resulting from damage due to fire not caused by machine malfunction, windstorm, flood, vandalism, accidents, and operator's negligence. Otherwise, all service, maintenance and repairs shall be the responsibility of the Lessor and shall be conducted in accordance with the following:

- A. **Operational Condition.** Units shall be well maintained in top operating condition with 100% of all parts, components, and systems operational. All pin, hitches and moving parts shall be tight and within manufacturers standards or tolerances. Engines, transmissions, drive axles, and hydraulic systems shall be in peak operational condition at all times absent of leaks, blowby, reduced hydraulic pressures or driveline noise.
- B. **Downtime.** Should the Lessor fail to complete the required service, maintenance, or repairs and return the equipment to duty, or should the Lessor fail to supply the necessary parts or labor to effect the repair within forty-eight (48) continuous hours, including holidays, Saturdays and Sundays, from telephonic notification by the County to the Lessor, a delay charge equal to eight hundred dollars (\$800.00)

per calendar day, per unit shall be deducted from any leasing charge or maintenance fee schedules. Lessor shall be given the option of furnishing like equipment in lieu of the delay charge. Delay charges shall not be charged when the delay is a result of a natural disaster.

- C. Transportation. All transportation for service, maintenance and repair shall be the responsibility of the Lessor.

Lessor shall be entitled to inspect the Equipment during regular business hours at County's place of business. County shall not install any accessory or device on the Equipment, except for such as may be removed without affecting the originally intended function or use of the Equipment. The County shall be entitled to unlimited usage of the Equipment during the Lease Term.

**7. Return of Equipment.** With respect to each unit, upon early termination of this Lease, or if the above option to purchase is not exercised, at the expiration of the Lease Term or any renewal thereof, the County shall return the equipment, at the County's expense, to Lessor at a place designated by the County.

**8. Disclaimer.** County agrees that the Equipment has been selected by the County; the Equipment has been inspected by the County and County is satisfied that the Equipment is suitable for its purpose; Lessor is not the manufacturer of Equipment; and Lessor has not made any express warranties regarding this Equipment.

**9. Insurance.** County shall maintain public liability insurance on the Equipment with a minimum liability limits in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and in the minimum amount of \$250,000.00 per occurrence for property damage. County shall deliver to the Lessor, upon request, certificates or other evidence satisfactory to Lessor that insurance is maintained as required under this Lease. Lessor shall provide and maintain during the entire term of this Agreement insurance in the following types and limits with a company or companies authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Lessor shall not commence work under the Agreement until the County has received an acceptable certificate or certificates of insurance evidencing the required insurance, which is as follows:

(X) General Liability insurance on forms no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Commercial General Liability policy (CG 00 01 or CG 00 02) of the Insurance Services Office or equivalent without restrictive endorsements, with the following minimum limits and coverage:

(X)	General Liability	
(X)	Each Occurrence/General Aggregate	\$500,000/500,000
(X)	Products-Completed Operations	\$500,000
(X)	Personal & Adv. Injury	\$500,000
(X)	Fire Damage	\$50,000
(X)	Medical Expense	\$5,000
(X)	Contractual Liability	

- (X) Automobile liability insurance, including owned, non-owned and hired autos with the following minimum limits and coverage:
- |                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Combined Single Limit        | \$300,000 |
| or                           |           |
| Bodily Injury (per person)   | \$100,000 |
| Bodily Injury (per accident) | \$300,000 |
| Property Damage              | \$100,000 |
- ( X ) **Lake County, A Political Subdivision Of The State Of Florida, And The Board Of County Commissioners**, shall be name as additional insured as their interest may appear on the:
- (X) General liability policy
- (X) Garage Keepers Liability
- (X) Workers' compensation insurance in accordance with Florida Statute, Chapter 440, and/or any other applicable law requiring workers' compensation (Federal, maritime, etc).
- (X) Certificates of insurance shall provide for a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice to the County of any change or cancellation of the required insurance.
- (X) Certificates of insurance shall identify RFP **#10-xxxx** in the Description of Operations section of the Certificate.
- (X) Lessor shall be responsible for subcontractors and their insurance.
- (X) The Certificate holder shall be: LAKE COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, P.O. BOX 7800, TAVARES, FL 32778-7800

**10. Loss or Damage.**

- A. All risk of loss or damage to the Equipment shall be the responsibility of the County, with exception of loss or damage resulting from the failure of Lessor to maintain the Equipment in accordance with this Lease. If any unit becomes stolen, destroyed or irreparably damaged from any cause other than from acts of the Lessor during the Lease Term, County shall give Lessor prompt notice thereof. County shall, in its sole discretion, elect to use the proceeds from any insurance claim to be applied to the repair of the Equipment or to payment of any obligation hereunder.
- B. The County shall be responsible for injury or death of any person, to the extent permitted by section 768.28, Florida Statutes that arises out of County's possession, use, operation or storage of the Equipment.

**11. Fees and Property Taxes.** Unless otherwise provided herein, the County shall not be responsible for any taxes and fees.

**12. Event of Default.** A party shall be in default of this Lease by failing to perform or observe any covenant or condition contained herein that such party is required to perform and where such failure continues for a period of ten (10) days after written notice thereof is sent to the defaulting party by the non-defaulting party.

**13. Remedies.** Upon default by either party under this Lease, the non-defaulting party may avail itself of any remedy available pursuant to Florida law, including terminating the remainder of this Lease agreement.

**14. Termination.** This Agreement may be terminated by the County upon thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party.

- A. Termination for Convenience. In the event this Agreement is terminated or cancelled upon the request and for the convenience of County with the required 30 day advance written notice, County shall reimburse Lessor for actual work satisfactorily completed.
- B. Termination for Cause. Termination by County for cause, default, or negligence on the part of Lessor shall be excluded from the foregoing provision. Termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The 30-day advance notice requirement is waived in the event of termination for cause.
- C. If funds are not budgeted and appropriated in any fiscal year for payments hereunder for the then current or succeeding fiscal year, this Lease shall impose no obligation on the County as to such current or succeeding fiscal year and shall become null and void except as to the lease payments herein agreed upon for which funds shall have been appropriated and budgeted, and no right of action or damage shall accrue to the benefit of Lessor, its successors and assigns. If the provisions of this section are used by the County, the County agrees to notify Lessor, or its assigns, immediately if funds are not budgeted and to surrender peaceably possession of the equipment to Lessor or its assignee.

**15. Notices.** Wherever provision is made in this Agreement for the giving, service or delivery of any notice, statement or other instrument, such notice shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given, served and delivered, if delivered by hand or mailed by United States registered or certified mail or sent by facsimile, addressed as follows:

If to Lessor:

*[contractor name]*

*[address]*

*[city][ state] [ZIP]*

If to County:

County Manager

Lake County Administration Bldg.

Post Office Box 7800

Tavares, Florida 32778-7800

Each party hereto may change its mailing address by giving to the other party hereto, by hand delivery, United States registered or certified mail notice of election to change such address.

**16. Scope of Agreement.** This Agreement is intended by the parties hereto to be the final expression of their Agreement, and it constitutes the full and entire understanding between the parties with respect to the subject hereof, notwithstanding any representations, statements, or agreements to the contrary heretofore made.

**17. Waiver.** The failure of any party hereto at any time to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement will in no way constitute or be construed as a waiver of such provision or of any other provision hereof, nor in any way affect the validity of, or the right thereafter to enforce, each and every provision of this Agreement.

**18. Severability.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision of this Agreement shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed in all respects as if such invalid or unenforceable provisions were omitted.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the respective dates under each signature: County, through its Board of County Commissioners, signing by and through its Chairman on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200X and by Lessor through its duly authorized representative.

**Lessor:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTY**

ATTEST:

LAKE COUNTY, through its  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Neil Kelly, Clerk  
of the Board of County  
Commissioners of Lake  
County, Florida

\_\_\_\_\_  
**[name]**  
Chairman

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

Approved as to form and legality:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sanford A. Minkoff  
County Attorney





**EXHIBIT A – EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE**

*[type of equipment]* equipped per Lake County RFP *#10-XXXX*.

Serial numbers:

1)

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**EXHIBIT B – PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

<b>FY 2009/2010</b>	<i>Total due per month</i>
<i>List as applicable</i>	

**All payments shall be made on a monthly basis paid in arrears.**